

FINE YEAR FOR ATHLETES.

WORLD'S RECORDS BROKEN IN TRACK AND FIELD GAMES.

Americans Win the Honors at Home and Abroad—Running of Maxwell W. Long the Feature—Flanagan Improved His Figures—Duffy and Kraenzlein Among the Stars.

Historians who record the progress of the twentieth century will find plenty of material in the steady improvement made in physical exercises since they first were foisted by amateurs on the world. The records set up, but even with this allowance, the corners are necessarily sharper than those on a long track, so that the advantage held by A. Ayres is not to be denied. The Englishman's record is the best condition of the New York track, but this does not hold good in regard to the record made by the Englishmen. The Britisher, in his record run on the Stamford Bridge track, the home of the London A. C., which receives more attention than any other track in the world and unless in the United States, is the only one of its size. The decided advantage now is by the Englishman in the conformation of the course, by which at the end of the long straight, he has the turn to his side, while the American has to negotiate one end. Had Long run under similar conditions there is no doubt that he would have equaled or more than equaled him.

While receiving congratulations for his great run, Long was confronted with the fact that the Englishman had beaten him in the 100 yards, and in consequence with the power of the Western Hemisphere in competition that Americans had starred, with the result that Americans won eight out of thirteen events at the English capital, and secured first place in nine of the twelve championships held at Paris.

If any further need is needed of the superiority of the modern athlete it is forthcoming in the many changes in the record tables made during the season. The crack performers of recent years had set marks in nearly every event that appeared to represent the limit of human ability, but spurred on by the hope of international glory and the stimulus of sharp competition records have been smashed in wholesale fashion and in a number of instances figures that have stood for years as the best attainable by the athletes of the world have been wiped off the slate.

The individual honors of this remarkable year belong to Maxwell W. Long, the Long Island lad who won the colors of the New York A. C., A. G. Kraenzlein of the University of Pennsylvania, and finally upheld his reputation in his specialties at broad jumping and hurdling, but Long's performances have been made middle distance running, where there are 100 men trying for honors for every one who attempts to share at jumping or hurdling.

The world's record for 100 yards of 9.45 seconds, made first by John Owen, Jr., of Detroit, and afterward duplicated by such dyers as Webers, McManus, and Pugh of America, and by the New Zealanders, the record of Australia was a difficult achievement for even the speediest sprinters of the race to tackle, but A. F. Duffy of Georgetown, Va., easily cleared the "feature" in the same time, though it is doubtful if the performance will receive the endorsement of the authorities. Duffy made his mark at the relay meet of the University of Pennsylvania, held on Franklin Field, Philadelphia, on April 28, in a special 100-yard scratch race. There was a wind blowing at the time, which in the opinion of many good judges was brisk enough to be of much assistance to the runner, in his struggle against time, and although Duffy showed his quality by winning by three yards from men who have records of 10.15 seconds, it is not likely that his name will be bracketed officially as a world's record holder at that distance.

The Georgetown man was debarred by eligibility rules from competing at the inter-collegiate meet a month later, but joined the squad of Americans which invaded Eng- and France and competed with signal success in the English championship meeting on July 7. The 100 yards there had as competitors the greatest field of sprinters that ever came together in one race. Thirteen started in the trials heats, and the two who qualified for the final heat with Duffy were F. W. Jarvis, Princeton University; J. W. B. Tewksbury, University of Pennsylvania; Stanley Rowley, New South Wales A. A., and C. L. Burroughs, University of Chicago. Duffy won by one-half a yard from Jarvis in 10.15 seconds, edging the British record made by Wharton, Downey, Wadley, and Coates in the inter-collegiate meet at Paris, held between July 14 and 20. He was the last runner on the 100-yard foot, but broke down in this event while leading at half distance, and the honors went to F. W. Jarvis, a 10.45 seconds, which is a world's record for the distance. J. W. B. Tewksbury, who finished second, is also a joint holder of this record, as he did it 4.4 seconds in the semi-final heat.

The record of 21.15 seconds for 220 yards, made by H. J. Weiers in 1896, was not approached by any of the flyers and the same runner's time of 30.35 seconds for 300 yards also remains intact, but from that distance up and including 340 yards ("Maze") Long established new times for amateurs which are likely to remain unbroken for some time. Long was easily the best in the 220 yards, and his records for 220 yards over two feet, 240, 260, and 280 yards have remained unbroken, on the chart having to run only a fifth of a second faster than the record holder in each case. The 220 yards, however, is the long-distance champion from Potter of Illinois. The track was heavy from recent rains, but not only that, Kraenzlein, who had the best time in the 220 yards, was the only one to break the record, and he did it in 21.15 seconds, though he was 100 yards behind the others. The record for 220 yards, however, is still held by Kraenzlein, who beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 240 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 260 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 280 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 300 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 320 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 340 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 360 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 380 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 400 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 420 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 440 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 460 yards he beat the record holder in 1900 by 1.5 seconds, and in the 480 yards he beat the 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